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## The Newsletter of the

# AMHERST ORCHID SOCIETY

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# June Meeting at the Wests' Home

# **Roger West**

Well at least it didn't rain for the Conway get together, but everything was wet. What a funny summer, great deal of heat in June then the July monsoons. The meeting was held in my garage and it went well with good socializing and hearty food. Some club news was discussed with the February show dominant. It looks like a go if Covid is held at bay. Marc is looking for new vendors. We have lost Kelley's Corner, who moved to Pa. and Piping Rock whose business has closed. It had to have been a tough year for the commercial orchid people. There will be a Mass orchid show in late October, get your plants ready. There will be an August meeting at Joe and Marge's in Easthampton. The first Munson meeting will be in September even if we have to be outside. Marc is looking for someone to replace Karen Steward who did the computer work on show plant entry. There is talk of replacing the current computer entry form with a number system that N. H. uses for their show, supposedly easier to work.



See Marc if you would like to help out, it is not an easy job but the club would sure appreciate a volunteer. It was good to see Marge Tanguay who has undergone multiple surgeries and one (hopefully) to go. She looked pretty good to me. The display table was ample with a gorgeous mini red cattleya that Joe displayed. The most talked about plant was not an orchid but a group of seven foot tall lilies with loads of large fragrant golden blooms. I think most everybody walked the property and enjoyed the multitude of color, it certainly keeps me busy in the summer.

### **Show Table July 2021**

## **Marc Gray**

Dendrobium No ID Neofinetia Amani Island Phal Tyning Shin Blue Jay

### **Dave Marinelli**

Stelis species

#### Liz Marinelli

Myrmec. Mem. Louise Fuchs Lc. Tropical Pointer Phrag Young Lindley 'Dave Marinelli'

#### Joe Maciaszek

Potinara Hawaiian Prominence X Velvet Rubies

### **Maryanne Laukaitis**

Cattleya forbesii Nageliella purpurea

### **Steve Steiner**

Bulbophyllum dearie
Bulbophyllum microrhombos
Calanthe tripillata
Chondrorhyncha lindleyana 'Frisky'
Dendrobium lawsii
Dendrobium Nagomi
Dendrobium purpureum
Dendrochilum filiforme
Epidendrum Pacific Dreams X Pacific Peacock

Promenaea paranensis
Promenaea stapeloides
Pleurothallis convalaria

Pleurothallis flexuosa Psychopsis Mendenhall

## **Roger West**

Diac Ethels Paradise



# ~August Meeting at the Home of Joe and Marge Maciaszek~

55 Hendrick St. Easthampton MA Joe's phone- 508-344-8492

**Sunday, August 15**- arrive any time after noon, hamburgers and hotdogs served around 2:00

# Please bring:

- an appetizer, side dish or dessert
- your own chair

**Parking:** the front and side of the yard and driveway can hold a few cars, but there should be enough extra space across the street to park on Brittany Ln on the right-hand side of the road.

# Autumn Meetings at Munson Library

At this time, we are hopeful that we will be able to return to our regular meeting schedule in September at Munson Library. However, with the recent increases in case numbers we will not know for certain until closer to the time. Please look for a communication from the club in early September.



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# New From the American Orchid Society-Orchid Marketplace

The AOS is pleased to announce the launch of <u>OrchidMarketplace.com</u>. This brand new platform is where orchid growers can discover orchid vendors from around the world. The Orchid Marketplace<sup>TM</sup> is mobile-friendly and fully searchable by keyword, product categories, or specialties.

- Search by orchid genus, location, product, or specialty
- Find your favorite vendors (or discover new ones!)
- Browse by featured products and promotions

The Membership and Marketing committee has worked on this program for more than a year, and have delivered a program that benefits both our commercial friends in the orchid business and our members. All Marketplace partners offer discounts to all AOS members! ...And AOS members who join or renew for a 2 year membership will receive a coupon for each ELITE partner worth \$30 off a purchase of \$100 or more. This translates to hundreds of dollars of real savings! Be on the lookout for an opportunity later this month to renew your membership early to take advantage of this great benefit.

# ~Upcoming Webinar- August 18~ Leafless Orchids



https://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx



Mark brought a monster Cattleya to be divided- here it is showing off at the June meeting



It did not want to leave its pot, even after a tug-ofwar with Maryanne, so president Joe had to take a hammer to it.



Impressive root system!



The plant put up a good fight but the humans prevailed, and a few lucky club members got to take a division home.